Chief Kim Vickers

Executive Director- Texas Commission on Law Enforcement

AUSTIN, Texas Chief Vickers began his law enforcement career with the Abilene Police Department in 1979 and continued to serve until his retirement in 2006. During his 27 years with the Abilene Police Department he served in a wide variety of capacities, including oversight of the training division and selection process, Patrol Division supervision and command, School Resource Officer, and Public Information Officer. He was Commander of the APD Critical Missing Response Team, which gained nationwide attention when it handled and quickly solved the first Amber Alert stranger kidnapping case in Texas.

Chief Vickers started his career with the Commission upon his retirement from the Abilene Police Department, working as the Field Service Agent for the West Texas region. After three years he promoted to Director of Education and Credentialing, and on September 1st, 2011, he assumed the duties of Executive Director.

He has 32 years of teaching and education experience including teaching a variety of courses for universities, departments, academies, and associations across Texas, and has extensive experience in various public speaking venues. Chief Vickers serves on the Education and Training Committees for both the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and the National Sheriff's Association (NSA). He is on the Advisory Board of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC), and is a Past President of the Board of Directors of the International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training (IADLEST.)

He and his wife, Chrys, have been married for 44 years. They have two children and three grandchildren. His son, Eric, served for 15 years as a law enforcement officer and is now attending Baylor Law School. His daughter, Jennifer, is a physician in Austin.